

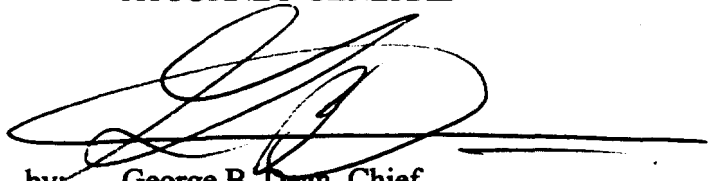
DTE.<sup>55</sup> The New York experience demonstrates clearly the need for a mechanism to evaluate allegations of anticompetitive behavior and enforce remedies to those most directly affected by discriminatory treatment.

### III. CONCLUSION.

For the foregoing reasons, the Attorney General submits that Bell Atlantic has not complied with Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 because of unresolved substantive issues surrounding DSL, OSS, and UNE. Furthermore, Bell Atlantic's Section 271 petition should not be approved until the Department resolves procedural issues regarding the Performance Assurance Plan and related compliance assurance programs.

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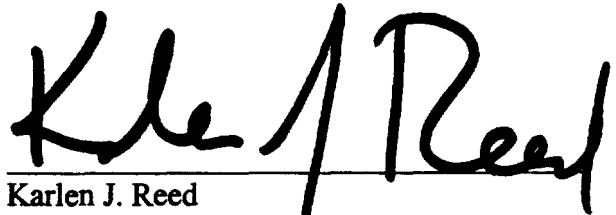
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the in-region interLATA (long distance) telephone market. )

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I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding by e-mail and by either hand delivery, mail, or fax.

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